

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant : Chieh Ou-Yang  
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THICKNESS  
Docket No. : 35194US1

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT "A"**

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office action dated June 29, 2006 (Paper No. 20060623). The three month period for responding to the Office action expired on September 29, 2006. Applicant therefore petitions for and requests a three (3) month extension of time to respond, up to and including December 29, 2006. Enclosed is a check for \$1020 to cover the extension-of-time fee.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this paper.

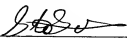
**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450 on the date indicated below.

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December 21, 2006

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